

IN THE CLAIMS

1.-91. (Cancelled)

92. (New) An image transfer member comprising:

a release layer comprising a transfer surface adapted to receive already formed images first surface and to transfer them to a second surface; and

a conforming layer substantially immediately beneath the release layer which comprises a plurality of sub-layers each having a different Shore A hardness of less than 80.

93. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 92 wherein the sub-layers each have a Shore A hardness of less than 70.

94. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 92 wherein the sub-layers each have a Shore A hardness of less than 60.

95. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 92 wherein the sub-layers each have a shore A hardness of less than 55.

96. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 95 wherein the plurality of sub-layers comprise at least two sub-layers, a relatively harder one of said sub-layers being situated between the release layer and a relatively softer one of said sub-layers.

97. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 96 wherein the softer layer has a Shore A hardness between 20 and 42.

98. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 97 wherein the harder layer has a Shore A hardness between 42 and 55.

99. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 96 wherein the harder layer has a Shore A hardness between 42 and 55.

UDD A05

100. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 92 wherein the plurality of sub-layers comprise at least two sub-layers, a relatively harder one of said sub-layers being situated between the release layer and a relatively softer one of said sub layers.
101. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 100 wherein the relatively softer layer has a Shore A hardness of less than 42.
102. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 100 wherein the relatively softer layer has a Shore A hardness of less than 35.
103. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 100 wherein the relatively softer layer has a Shore A hardness of less than 25.
104. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 100 wherein the relatively harder layer has a hardness of greater than 42.
105. (New) An image transfer member according to any of claims 92-99 wherein the plurality of sub-layers are comprised of substantially the same material loaded with a stiffener and wherein the differences in hardness are provided by changing the proportion of stiffener.
106. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 105 wherein the stiffener is carbon black.
107. (New) An image transfer member according to any of claims 92-99 wherein the thickness of the harder layer is between about 15 and 30 micrometers.
108. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 107 wherein the thickness of the softer layer is between 70 and 85 micrometers.
109. (New) An image transfer member according to any of claims 92-99 wherein the overall thickness of the plurality of sub-layers is 100 microns.

UDD A05

110. (New) An image transfer member according to any of claims 92-99 wherein the release layer is between 3 and 15 micrometers thick.
111. (New) An image transfer member according to any of claims 92-99 wherein the conforming layer overlays a conductive layer.
112. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 111 wherein the conductive layer has a resistance of between 15K and 50K ohms per square.
113. (New) An image transfer member according to claim 111 including a compressible layer comprising a material formed with internal voids.
114. (New) An image transfer member according to any of claims 92-99 wherein the transfer surface is adapted for transferring toner images.
115. (New) An image transfer member according to any of claims 92-99 wherein the transfer surface is adapted for transferring liquid toner images.